

EXHIBIT A

**ILLUSTRATIVE CALL FLOWS
(USAGE-SENSITIVE ULS-ST RATE ELEMENTS)**

The following call flows provide examples of application of usage sensitive UNE charges and reciprocal compensation. The call flows below depict the charges between **SBC-AMERITECH** and CLEC A. Charges to or from CLEC B (e.g., reciprocal compensation) to or from **SBC-AMERITECH** or CLEC A are pursuant to the charging arrangement(s) between the originating and terminating carriers.

Local Calls:

1. CLEC A (UNE) ULS-ST port originating and **SBC-AMERITECH** port terminating:

CLEC A is charged:
 ULS – O Usage
 Blended Transport Usage
 SS7 Signalling
 ULS-ST Reciprocal Compensation (equal to ULS-T rate)
2. **SBC-AMERITECH** port originating and CLEC A (UNE) ULS-ST port terminating

CLEC A is charged:
 ULS – T Usage

SBC-AMERITECH is charged:
 ULS-ST Reciprocal Compensation (equal to ULS-T rate)
3. CLEC A (UNE) port originating and CLEC B (UNE) terminating

CLEC A is charged:
 ULS – O Usage
 Blended Transport Usage
 SS7 Signaling
4. CLEC A (UNE) port originating and CLEC A (UNE) port terminating

CLEC A is charged:
 ULS – O Usage
 Blended Transport Usage

SS7 Signaling
ULS - T Usage

5. CLEC B (UNE) port originating and CLEC A (UNE) port terminating

CLEC A is charged:
ULS – T Usage
6. CLEC (Resale services) Originating and CLEC A (UNE) port terminating

CLEC A is charged:
ULS – T Usage
7. CLEC A (UNE) port originating and CLEC (Resale services) terminating

CLEC A is charged:
ULS – O Usage
Blended Transport Usage
SS7 Signaling
ULS-ST Reciprocal Compensation (equal to ULS-T rate)
8. CLEC A (UNE) port originating to CLEC (Facilities Based Network (FBN) terminating

CLEC A is charged:
ULS – O Usage
Blended Transport Usage
SS7 Signaling
9. CLEC (FBN) Originating to CLEC A (UNE) Terminating

CLEC A is charged:
ULS – T Usage

IntraLATA and InterLATA Toll Calls:

10. CLEC A (UNE) port originating to IXC

If call is routed to IXC POP via direct-route (IXC FGD Trunking)—
CLEC A is charged:
ULS – O Usage
SS7 Signaling

If call is routed to IXC POP via **SBC-AMERITECH** Tandem—

CLEC A is charged:

ULS – O Usage
SS7 Signaling
ULS-ST Common Transport Usage
ULS-ST Tandem Usage

11. IXC to CLEC A (UNE) port terminating

If call is routed from IXC POP via direct-route (IXC FGD Trunking)—

CLEC A is charged:

ULS – T Usage

If call is routed from IXC POP via **SBC-AMERITECH** Tandem—

CLEC A is charged:

ULS – T Usage
ULS-ST Common Transport Usage
ULS-ST Tandem Usage